

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Atty. Docket No. TRW (ASG) 6001

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Vehicle Steering Wheel

the specification of which

(check one) is attached hereto.

was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____
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by Preliminary Amendment Article 19; Article 34 (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status-patented, pending, abandoned)
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Power of Attorney: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys: Thomas L. Tarolli, Reg. No. 20,177; Robert B. Sundheim, Reg. No. 20,127; Calvin G. Covell, Reg. No. 24,042; Barry L. Tummino, Reg. No. 29,709; Paul E. Szabo, Reg. No. 30,429; James L. Tarolli, Reg. No. 36,029; Ronald M. Kachmarik, Reg. No. 34,512; Richard S. Wesorick, Reg. No. 40,871; Maurice R. Salada, Reg. No. 26,502; Allan W. Vogelee, Reg. No. 28,127; and Gary L. Hermanson, Reg. No. 34,349; each with full powers of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached Yes No

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 Other _____

Execution Date: December 6, 2001

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THOMAS L. TAROLLI
Name of Person Signing
Reg. No. 20,177

Signature

12-18-01

Date

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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, We, Dominik SCHÜTZ and John-Oliver DERRICK of Fuggerstrasse 11, 63857 Waldaschaff, Germany; and of Am Schaffeld 2, 97265 Hettstadt, Germany, respectively, have made new and useful improvements in a

VEHICLE STEERING WHEEL

WHEREAS, TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, having its place of business at Hefner-Alteneck-Strasse 11, 63743 Aschaffenburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and all patents therefor to be obtained in the United States of America and countries foreign to the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for valuable considerations to us paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, We, the said, Dominik SCHÜTZ and John-Oliver DERRICK do hereby assign, sell and set over unto the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns; the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid improvements and any and all inventions pertaining thereto, the application for United States patent executed by us on the 06 day of December, 2001, and the 06 day of December, 2001, respectively, all patents granted therefor in the United States of America and elsewhere, and the right to apply for patents therefor in all countries foreign to the United States and to claim for such applications the priority of United States applications, and We hereby request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue such patents to the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns; and We further

agree to execute such other applications and other instruments and do all other acts as may be deemed necessary by the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns in order fully to secure, protect, and preserve its rights to the said improvements and to obtain patents therefor in the United States of America and all countries foreign to the United States, all without further consideration but at the expense of the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns.

Executed this 06 day of December, 2001

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